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SUBJECT: PROLIFERATION OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (NGO)

1. HORACE PERERA, SECGEN OF WORLD FEDERATION OF UN ASSOCIATIONS, CALLED ON ME TO EXPRESS HIS "PRIVATE" CONCERN OVER WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS THE WEAKENING OF THE NGO SYSTEM BY THE INTRODUCTION OF "UNNECESSARY POLITICAL BIAS" INTO THE DISCUSSIONS RELATING TO NGO'S IN UN STRUCTURE.

2. CALLING ATTENTION TO THE RESULTS OF THE FEB. 4-8, 1974 MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS (UNESCO DOC. E/C. 2/L 35, DATED 7 FEB. 1974), HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT WE AND NORTH AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES SHARED HIS CONCERN AND WOULD COORDINATE THEIR EFFORTS TO COMBAT THIS TENDENCY.

3. HE DEPLORED THE EFFORTS OF CERTAIN EAST EUROPEAN COUNTRIES TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS HAVING CONSULTATIVE STATUS WHEN THESE ORGANIZATIONS DID NOT MEET THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1296 (XLIV). MULTIPLICATION OF THE NUMBER OF NGO'S BY INCLUDING THOSE THAT REPRESENTED GROUPS ALREADY ENJOYING CONSULTATIVE STATUS WAS NOT, HE FELT, IN THE BEST INTERESTS OF  
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NGO'S IN GENERAL. NOR WOULD THE ACCEPTANCE OF SUCH GROUPINGS

AS THE WORLD PEACE CONGRESS, WHICH IS A "MEETING" RATHER THAN AN ORGANIZATION, BE CONSISTENT WITH THE CRITERIA GOVERNING NGO PARTICIPATION IN THE UN SYSTEM.

4. PERERA EMPHASIZED THAT HIS CONCERN OVER THE TRENDS HE PERCEIVED WAS A REAL ONE, BUT HOPED THAT IN LIGHT OF HIS POSITION AS SECGEN THE VIEWS HE EXPRESSED BE USED DISCREETLY AND WITHOUT ATTRIBUTION TO HIM. DALE

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